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REMARKS

Reconsideration and reexamination are hereby requested in view of the following remarks.

The Examiner has rejected Claims 19 - 30 under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over Claims 1 - 18 of U.S. Patent No. 6,597,768. The Examiner states that the claims would be allowable if a timely Terminal Disclaimer is filed.

The Applicants submit herewith a Terminal Disclaimer to overcome the obviousness-type double patenting rejection. Accordingly, the Applicants respectfully request that the double-patenting rejection be withdrawn.

Therefore, it is submitted that the claims are patentably distinct over the prior art and that all the rejections to the claims have been overcome. Reconsideration and reexamination of the above Application is requested.

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